IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please replace Fig. 2 (Sheet 2/2) with the attached Replacement Sheet. An Annotated Sheet Showing Changes is also attached.

REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

Claim 16 has been amended. Fig. 2 has also been amended. No new matter has been added. Thus, claims 1-19 remain pending in this application. It is respectfully submitted that based on the above amendments and the following remarks, all of the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance.

II. THE OBJECTION TO THE DRAWINGS SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN

The Examiner objected to Figure 2 because it does not include the proper labels. (See 08/21/07 Office Action p. 2). Figure 2 has been amended to include the proper labels. Thus, the objection to the drawings should be withdrawn.

III. THE 35 U.S.C. § 101 REJECTIONS SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN

The Examiner rejected claim 16 because the claim recites a method that is interpreted as a computer program but fails to assert that the program is recorded on an appropriate computer-readable medium. (See 08/21/07 Office Action p. 3). Claim 16 has been amended to recite a "computer readable storage medium." Thus, the rejection of claim 16 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 should be withdrawn.

IV. THE 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) REJECTIONS SHOULD BE WITHDRAWN

Claims 1-19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,233,389 to Barton et al. (hereinafter "Barton"). (See 08/21/07 Office Action p. 3).

Claim 1 recites, "deriving a content indicator from a content analysis of the content signal" and "adjusting a presentation rate of the content signal in response to the content indicator." The Examiner asserts that the adjusting recitation of claim 1 is taught by Barton at

column 3, lines 28-29. (See 08/21/07 Office Action p. 4). Applicant respectfully disagree.

Barton teaches an invention that "provides the user with the ability to store selected television broadcast programs while simultaneously watching or reviewing another program and to view stored programs with at least the following functions: reverse, fast forward, play, pause, index fast/slow reverse play, and fast/slow play." (See Barton column 3, Il. 24-29). Barton further states that

The control object 917 accepts commands from the user and sends events into the pipeline to control what the pipeline is doing. For example, if the user has a remote control and is watching TV, the user presses pause and the control object 917 sends an event to the sink 903, that tells it pause. The sink 903 stops asking for new buffers. The current pointer 920 stays where it is at. The sink 903 starts taking buffers out again when it receives another event that tells it to play.

(See Barton col. 9, Il. 22-31). In Barton, any change in the rate of play of the stored video, fast forward or rewind, is done by the user inputting a command into the system, i.e., the rate of play is changed in response to a user input.

In contrast, claim 1 recites, "deriving a content indicator from a content analysis of the content signal; and adjusting a presentation rate of the content signal in response to the content indicator." Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that Barton does not teach the above limitation of claim 1. Because claims 2-15 depend from, and therefore include all the limitations of claim 1, it is respectfully submitted that these claims are also allowable for at least the same reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

Independent claim 16 recites "[a] computer readable storage medium including a set of instructions executable by a processor, the set of instructions operable to carry out a method according to claim 1." Applicant respectfully submits that this claim is also allowable for at least the same reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

Independent claim 17 recites, "a processor for deriving a content indicator from a content analysis of the content signal; and a controller for adjusting the presentation rate of the content

signal in response to the content indicator." Applicant respectfully submits that this claim is also allowable for at least the same reasons given above with respect to claim 1. Because claims 18 and 19 depend from, and therefore include all the limitations of claim 17, it is respectfully submitted that these claims are also allowable for at least the same reasons given above with respect to claim 17.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all the presently pending claims are in condition for allowance. All issues raised by the Examiner having been addressed, an early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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